Rae Pica Receives 2009 Margie R. Hanson Distinguished Service Award

*BAM Radio Network co-founder to be recognized by National Association for Sport and Physical Education*

Los Angeles, CA (PRWEB) February 15, 2009 -- Today, the BAM Radio Network (BRN), a joint project of Moving & Learning and Jackstreet Media, announced that network co-founder Rae Pica will be the recipient of the Margie R. Hanson Distinguished Service Award. This award is given by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education to professionals who have made outstanding contributions to the field of physical education for early childhood and/or elementary school children at the state, district or national levels.

Criteria for selection include having a successful career over a period of 20 or more years; service to physical education at the early childhood or elementary level; leadership at local, state, and national levels; and educational contributions of national significant in physical education for young children.

The award will be presented at the annual convention of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD), to be held this year in Tampa, March 31-April 4.

"I'm honored to be the recipient of this award and to be involved in work that meant so much to Dr. Hanson," said Pica. "She was a remarkable woman and ahead of her time in understanding the value of physical education in the early years."

About NASPE

NASPE is the preeminent national authority on physical education and a recognized leader in sport and physical activity. NASPE is a non-profit professional membership association that sets the standard for practice in physical education and sport. Its 16,000 members include K-12 physical education teachers, coaches, athletic directors, athletic trainers, sport management professionals, researchers, and college/university faculty who prepare physical activity professionals. It is the largest of the five national associations that make up the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

About Rae Pica

Rae Pica is an early childhood expert with 30 years experience in the field and is co-founder of the BAM Radio Network and host of Body, Mind and Child (www.bodymindandchild.com), a radio program aimed at parents and early childhood professionals.

About BAM Radio Network

The BAM Radio Network was launched to address the severe imbalance in parenting practices caused by the "commercialization of parenting" and the emphasis on intellectual development that excludes the critical role of the mind/body connection in early childhood. Created by leading early childhood experts, the programming challenges the popular genre of parenting notions that has given rise to commercial products like Baby Einstein, Brainy Baby and lapware, all of which claim to accelerate a child's mental development in the face of science that suggests otherwise. The network is a joint venture between New Hampshire-based Moving & Learning and Los Angeles-based Jackstreet Media Ventures LLC. The program is produced by Emmy Award winning
broadcaster Errol Smith and distributed through the Affiliate Nanocasting Network.

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